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NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS

CALIFORNIA SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT

Proposition 65 Enforcement Reporting Attn: Prop 65 Coordinator 1515 Clay Street P.O. Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612

AND THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS LISTED ON THE DISTRIBUTION LIST ACCOMPANYING THE ATTACHED CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Re: Violations of Proposition 65 Concerning Carbon Monoxide Exposures from Charcoal Grills

In accord with California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7, Ecological Rights Foundation ("ERF") hereby gives you notice that the companies listed on Exhibit A ("Noticed Parties") have violated and are in ongoing violation of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6, which provides that "[n]o person in the course of doing business shall knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity without first providing a clear and reasonable warning to such individual."

Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7, ERF intends to bring an enforcement action 60 days after effective service of this notice unless the public enforcement agencies have commenced and are diligently prosecuting an action to rectify the violations discussed in this notice letter. The public enforcement agencies that have been served with copies of this notice of violations are identified in the attached Certificate of Service.

The above-referenced violations occur when California residents use charcoal grills, which are used primarily for cooking. Combustion of charcoal in grills produces and exposes people to **carbon monoxide**, a chemical known to the State of California to cause reproductive toxicity. Because the combustion of charcoal causes carbon monoxide to be released into the air, people using charcoal grills, and others standing near the products when charcoal is burning, inhale carbon monoxide. Exposure to carbon monoxide is via the inhalation route. These products cause carbon monoxide exposures to occur in people's yards, at parks and beaches, and everywhere else throughout California where the products are used. These violations are alleged for consumer and environmental exposures. The above-referenced violations have occurred every day since at least February 16, 2015 and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are given.

Included on Exhibit A is a non-exclusive list of examples of the types of products manufactured, marketed or sold by the Noticed Parties in the State of California. Though specific models or SKU or product numbers are given as examples, this Notice pertains to all models, and all variations, of the specific type of product of which the named models are an example.

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The Noticed Parties on Exhibit A, and on the attached Certificate of Service, did not and do not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before exposing California residents to carbon monoxide.

ERF is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to protecting human and environmental health, including raising awareness of, and reducing exposures to, toxic chemicals. The following individual is the responsible individual within ERF for purposes of this Notice:

James Lamport, Executive Director Ecological Rights Foundation 867 B Redwood Drive Garberville, California 95542 Telephone: (707) 923-4372

ERF has retained the following counsel to represent them in this matter (please direct communications to counsel):

Fredric Evenson
Ecology Law Center
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Sincerely,

Fredric Evenson

Exhibit A February 16, 2018 Notice of Violations Carbon Monoxide Exposures from Charcoal Grills

Names and Addresses of Responsible Parties	Non-Exclusive Examples of the Products*	Item#, UPC or SKU # or Further Description **
Jeff Bezos, President Amazon.com, Inc. c/o CSC - Lawyers Incorporating Service 2710 Gateway Oaks Dr. Ste. 150N Sacramento CA 95833	- Miady Stainless Steel Foldable Charcoal Barbecue Grill with 20 Pieces BBQ Tool Kits and Carry Bag	- MI-CG01, ASIN B06XK8S64D
Bobby Brennan, Registered Agent Premier Specialty Brands LLC 3400 Rivergreen Ct, Ste. 600 Duluth, GA, 30096 President or CEO Kamado Joe Ceramic Smoker & Grills 3400 Rivergreen Ct, Ste. 600 Duluth, GA, 30096 Wayfair LLC	- Kamado Joe 13.5" Charcoal Grill with Stand	- Item# KJ13RH, UPC# 811738020303
President or CEO c/o Incorporating Services, LTD. 4 Copley Place, 7th floor Boston, MA 02116		
Daniel Schwab, President D & H Distributing Company 2525 North Seventh Street, PO Box 5967 Harrisburg, PA 17110-0967	- Gibson Home Baseball BBQ	- UPC# 085081303714
George Samaras, CEO Primo Ceramic Grills USA 3289 Montreal Industrial Way Tucker, GA 30084	- Primo 774 Ceramic Charcoal Smoker Grill, Oval Junior	- Part# 00774
George Samaras, CEO Creative Ceramic Technologies, Inc. 3801 Beya Way, Doraville, GA, 30340		
David King, Jr., Registered Agent Creative Ceramic Technologies, Inc. 2512 Foster Ridge Court Atlanta Atlanta, GA, 30345		

Jeff Bezos, President Amazon.com, Inc. c/o CSC - Lawyers Incorporating Service 2710 Gateway Oaks Dr. Ste. 150N Sacramento CA 95833		
Richard E Uihlein, CEO Uline, Inc. 12575 Uline Drive Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158	- Uline In-Ground Double Park Grill Kit	- Model # H-6580
President or CEO Uline, Inc. 2950 Jurupa Street Ontario, CA 91761		
CT Corporation, Registered Agent Uline, Inc. 818 W 7th St #930 Los Angeles, CA 90017		

^{*} These non-exclusive examples of the category or type of product that is subject to this Notice is for the recipient's benefit in its investigation of ERF's allegations. These examples are not meant to be an exhaustive or comprehensive identification of each specific offending product of the category or type of products subject to this notice. It is ERF's position that the alleged Violators are obligated to conduct a good faith investigation into other specific products within the identified category or type that may have been manufactured, distributed, sold, shipped, stored (or otherwise within the notice recipient's custody or control) during the past three years, to ensure that clear and reasonable warnings are provided to California citizens prior to purchase, or retroactively if necessary.

^{**}ASIN – Amazon Standard Identification Number

Certificate of Merit Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)

- I, Fredric Evenson, hereby declare:
- (1) This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice(s) in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notices have violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- (2) I am the attorney for the noticing party.
- (3) I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the alleged exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- (4) Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiff's case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- (5) The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Date: February 16, 2018 By:

Fredric Evenson

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am over the age of 18. My business address is P.O. Box 1000, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.

On February 16, 2018 I served the following:

- 1) Notice of Violations: California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act
- 2) Certificate of Merit: Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)
- 3) Appendix A: The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary
- 4) Certificate of Service

by enclosing copies of the same in a sealed envelope addressed to each party on the attached Service List - Noticed Parties and depositing the envelope in the U.S. mail with postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail. Place of mailing: Santa Cruz, CA.

See Attached: Service List - Noticed Parties

On February 16, 2018, I also served the following:

- 1) Notice of Violations: California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act
- 2) Certificate of Merit: Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)
- 3) Certificate of Merit (Attorney General Copy): Factual information sufficient to establish the basis of the Certificate of Merit (only sent to Attorney General)
- 4) Certificate of Service

by enclosing copies of the same in sealed envelopes addressed to each of the public enforcement agencies listed on the attached Service List of Public Enforcers, and depositing the envelopes in the U.S. mail with postage fully prepaid for delivery by First Class Mail. Place of mailing: Santa Cruz, CA.

by sending portable document format (.pdf) files of the same to the electronic mail addresses to each of the public prosecutors identified by the California Attorney General as having authorized electronic service of notices. These public enforcement agencies appear on the attached Service List with their electronic mail addresses.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed February 16, at Santa Cruz, CA.

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Service List – Noticed Parties

Jeff Bezos, President	Bobby Brennan, Registered	President or CEO	
Amazon.com, Inc.	Agent	Kamado Joe Ceramic Smoker	
c/o CSC - Lawyers	Premier Specialty Brands	& Grills	
Incorporating Service	LLC	3400 Rivergreen Ct, Ste. 600	
2710 Gateway Oaks Dr. Ste.	3400 Rivergreen Ct, Ste.	Duluth, GA, 30096	
150N	600		
Sacramento CA 95833	Duluth, GA, 30096		
Wayfair LLC	Daniel Schwab, President	George Samaras, CEO	
President or CEO	D & H Distributing	Primo Ceramic Grills USA	
c/o Incorporating Services,	Company	3289 Montreal Industrial	
LTD.	2525 North Seventh Street,	Way	
4 Copley Place, 7th floor	PO Box 5967	Tucker, GA 30084	
Boston, MA 02116	Harrisburg, PA 17110-0967		
George Samaras, CEO	David King, Jr., Registered	Richard E Uihlein, CEO	
Creative Ceramic Technologies,	Agent	Uline, Inc.	
Inc.	Creative Ceramic	12575 Uline Drive	
3801 Beya Way, Doraville, GA,	Technologies, Inc.	Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158	
30340	2512 Foster Ridge Court		
	Atlanta, GA, 30345		
President or CEO	CT Corporation, Registered		
Uline, Inc.	Agent		
2950 Jurupa Street	Uline, Inc.		
Ontario, CA 91761	818 W 7th St #930		
	Los Angeles, CA 90017		

Service List – Public Prosecutors

Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Alameda County	Lassen County	San Benito County	Tehama County
1225 Fallon Street, Room 900	mlatimer@co.lassen.ca.us	419 4th Street	P.O. Box 519
Oakland, CA 94612		Hollister, CA 95023	Red Bluff, CA 96080
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Alpine County	Los Angeles County	San Bernardino County	Trinity County
P.O. Box 248	211 W. Temple Street, Suite 1200	303 W. Third Street	P.O. Box 310
Markleeville, CA 96120	Los Angeles, CA 90012	San Bernardino, CA 92415	Weaverville, CA 96093
Office of the District Attorney Amador County	Office of the District Attorney Madera County	Office of the District Attorney San Diego County	Office of the District Attorney Tulare County
708 Court Street, #202	209 West Yosemite Avenue	330 W. Broadway, Suite 1300	Prop65@co.tulare.ca.us
Jackson, CA 95642	Madera, CA 93637	San Diego, CA 92101	Tropos@so.talaro.ou.us
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Butte County	Marin County	San Francisco County	Tuolumne County
25 County Center Drive	3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 130	gregory.alker@sfgov.org	423 N. Washington Street
Oroville, CA 95965	San Rafael, CA 94903		Sonora, CA 95370
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Calaveras County	Mariposa County	San Joaquin County	Ventura County
891 Mountain Ranch Road San Andreas, CA 95249	P.O. Box 730	DAConsumer.Environmental@sjcda.org	daspecialops@ventura.org
Office of the District Attorney	Mariposa, CA 95338 Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Colusa County	Mendocino County	San Luis Obispo County	Yolo County
346 5th Street, Suite 101	P.O. Box 1000	edobroth@co.slo.ca.us	cfepd@yolocounty.org
Colusa, CA 95932	Ukiah, CA 95482		
	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney
Office of the District Attorney Contra Costa County	Merced County	San Mateo County	Yuba County
sgrassini@contracostada.org	550 West Main Street	400 County Center, Third Floor	215 Fifth Street, Suite 152
	Merced, CA 95340	Redwood City, CA 94063	Marysville, CA 95901
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Oakland City Attorney
Del Norte County	Modoc County	Santa Barbara County	City Hall, 6th Floor
450 H Street, Room 171 Crescent City, CA 95531	204 S. Court Street Room 202 Alturas, CA 96101	1112 Santa Barbara Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101	1 Frank Ogawa Plaza
Crescent City, CA 95551	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Oakland, California 94612 Office of the City Attorney
Office of the District Attorney	Mono County	Santa Clara County	City of San Francisco
El Dorado County	P.O. Box 617	EPU@da.sccgov.org	City Hall, Room 234
515 Main Street	Bridgeport, CA 93517	2.0622.30050	1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.
Placerville, CA 95667			San Francisco, CA 94102
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the City Attorney
Fresno County	Monterey County	Santa Cruz County	City of Sacramento
2220 Tulare Street, Suite 1000	Prop65DA@co.monterey.ca.us	701 Ocean Street, Room 200	915 I Street, 4th Floor
Fresno, CA 93721		Santa Cruz, CA 95060	Sacramento, CA 95814
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the City Attorney
Glenn County P.O. Box 430	Napa County	Shasta County 1355 West Street	City of San Jose 200 E. Santa Clara St.
Willows, CA 95988	CEPD@countyofnapa.org	Redding, CA 96001	San Jose, CA 95113
	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the City Attorney
Office of the District Attorney	Nevada County	Sierra County	City of Los Angeles
Humboldt County	201 Commercial Street	P.O. Box 457	200 N. Main Street, Suite 800
825 5th Street, 4th Floor Eureka, CA 95501	Nevada City, CA 95959	Downieville, CA 95936	Los Angeles, CA 90012
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Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the City Attorney
Imperial County	Orange County	Siskiyou County	City of San Diego
940 West Main Street, Suite 102	401 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701	P.O. Box 986 Vraka CA 96097	1200 Third Ave., Suite 1620 San Diego, CA 92101
El Centro, CA 92243 Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Yreka, CA 96097 Office of the District Attorney	Proposition 65 Enforcement
Inyo County	Placer County	Solano County	Reporting
P.O. Box D	10810 Justice Center Drive	675 Texas Street, Suite 4500	Attn: Prop 65 Coordinator
Independence, CA 93526	Roseville, CA 95678	Fairfield, CA 94533	1515 Clay Street
-			P.O. Box 70550
			Oakland, CA 94612
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	
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1215 Truxtun Avenue	520 Main Street, Room 404	jbarnes@sonoma-county.org	
Bakersfield, CA 93301	Quincy, CA 95971	Office of the Dietrict Attorney	
Office of the District Attorney Kings County	Office of the District Attorney Riverside County	Office of the District Attorney Stanislaus County	
1400 West Lacey Blvd.	Prop65@rivcoda.org	832 12th Street, Suite 300	
Hanford, CA 93230		Modesto, CA 95354	
Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	Office of the District Attorney	
Lake County	Sacramento County	Sutter County	
255 N. Forbes Street	Prop65@sacda.org	446 Second Street, Suite 102	
Lakeport, CA 95453	1	Yuba City, CA 95991	